

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kenta CHO, et al.

GAU: Unassigned

SERIAL NO: New Application

EXAMINER: Unassigned

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FOR: AN AGENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY**

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SIR:

- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/531,518, filed 03/21/2000, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §120**.
- Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119(e)**: Application No. Date Filed
- Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119**, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

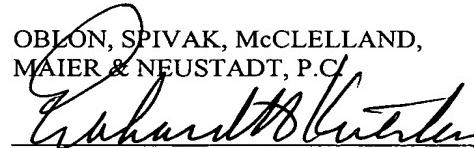
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Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- are submitted herewith
- will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/531,518 filed 03/21/2000
- were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number  
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- (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
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